

**City of Somerville, Massachusetts**  
**Matters of Business of the Board of Aldermen**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 26, 2014, 7:00 PM  
Aldermanic Chambers  
\*\*\*\*\*

*NOTICE: This is NOT the official version of the Board of Aldermen's minutes. While reasonable efforts have been made to assure the accuracy of the data provided, do not rely on this information without first checking with the City Clerk.*

**OPENING OF THE MEETING**

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
John M. Connolly	Alderman At Large	Present	
Mary Jo Rossetti	Alderman At Large	Present	
Dennis M. Sullivan	Alderman At Large	Present	
William A. White Jr.	Alderman At Large	Present	
Matthew McLaughlin	Ward One Alderman	Present	
Maryann M. Heuston	Ward Two Alderman	Present	
Robert J. McWatters	Ward Three Alderman	Present	
Tony Lafuente	Ward Four Alderman	Present	
Mark Niedergang	Ward Five Alderman	Present	
Rebekah L. Gewirtz	Ward Six Alderman	Present	
Katjana Ballantyne	Ward Seven Alderman	Present	

1. #197254 Call of the Roll.  
Roll Call

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

The Board observed a moment of silence for Kelly Foote and Anne Iapinni.

2. #197255 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting, May 22, 2014.  
Minutes

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**CITATIONS**

3. #197256 Citation  
By Ald. Connolly, Gewirtz, McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Maureen James and Jo-Ann DePrizio, who are retiring from the City Clerk's Office after a combined 57 years of dedicated service to the city.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

4. #197257 Citation By Ald. McWatters, and the Entire Board and the Mayor Commending Rose Ryan, who has retired from the High School faculty after 29 years in the Culinary Arts program.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDERS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OF MEMBERS**

5. #197258 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of SPCD (ISD) advise this Board of the plan for adding and/or limiting the number of antennae at the Housing Authority's Weston Manor.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

6. #197259 Order By Ald. Ballantyne That the Director of Purchasing and the Recreation Superintendent submit a monthly recreation equipment purchase report for all equipment purchased.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

7. #197260 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Director of Traffic and Parking inform the Amigos Market on Broadway that delivery trucks should park on Broadway, not Franklin St., and issue citations for violations.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

8. #197261 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Traffic and Parking install temporary speed bumps and a pedestrian walkway with STOP signs on New Washington Street behind the Cobble Hill Apartments near the dog park.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

9. #197262 Order By Ald. McLaughlin That the Chief of Police monitor New Washington Street for speeding vehicles and issue citations.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

10. #197263  
Order
- By Ald. McLaughlin  
That the Commissioner of Public Works clean the area along the billboard near 3 Chester Avenue, and that the Director of SPCD (ISD) bait it for rodents.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Rodent Issues Special Committee

11. #197264  
Order
- By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) report to this Board, in writing no later than July 10, 2014, the specific enforcement activities his department has carried out to ensure compliance with the polystyrene ban as well as any written notifications that were sent.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Gewirtz suggested that warnings or tickets should be given to those who do not obey this ordinance.

**FOLLOWUP:** Board of Aldermen

12. #197265  
Order
- By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) and the Chief of Police investigate the constant loud noise coming from the rear of 265 Elm Street (Punjabi Grill), and take steps to ensure the noise is mitigated.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

13. #197266  
Order
- By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Commissioner of Public Works add Meacham Road and Cottage Avenue to this year's street paving list.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Niedergang requested clarification on what the steps are on how to request re-paving. Alderman Rossetti recalled attempts to arrange a presentation on this matter. Alderman McWatters opined that the algorithm used by the city needs to be looked at, saying it's not fair to the residents that the Board members do not have answers for them. The aldermen discussed scheduling a presentation. President White requested a written response for the time being, and the DPW Commissioner agreed to send one explaining the algorithm.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

14. #197267  
Order
- By Ald. Gewirtz  
That the Director of SPCD (ISD) investigate the noise from the A/C unit at Pinkberry's in Davis Square and take steps to ensure the noise is mitigated.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

15. #197268 Order By Ald. Rossetti, Sullivan, Connolly, Ballantyne  
That the City Clerk request of MassPort an explanation for the increase of air traffic noise recently in West Somerville, and that the Director of Communications add to the website information about the most effective method to complain about such noise.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Ballantyne noted there were many complaints related to airplane noise. President White explained the history of this issue in Somerville. He explained that the wind direction could change the flying patterns, or the air traffic controllers could be routing them intentionally. He added there was a study done and that planes could fly over the Mystic River.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

16. #197269 Resolution By Ald. Niedergang, Gewirtz, McLaughlin, Sullivan, and the Entire Board  
Urging individuals, colleges and universities, foundations, and governments to divest their funds from publicly-traded fossil fuel companies.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

All of the Board members discussed the significance of the item and joined the resolution as co-sponsors.

17. #197270 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the two streetlights that are out and blinking on/off on the west side of Cedar Street by Lexington Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

18. #197271 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the potholes on Josephine Avenue at Morrison Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

19. #197272 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works repair the crosswalks at Hall Street and Cherry Street and also at Aberdeen Road and Highland Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

20. #197273 Order By Ald. Niedergang, McWatters  
That the Commissioner of Public Works fill in the dip on Porter Street, by Williams Court, to prevent truck loads from bouncing up and down loudly.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

21. #197274 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Commissioner of Public Works fix the loose gas access assembly in the roadway at the corner of Cedar Street and Morrison Avenue.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

22. #197275 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer analyze the intersection of Glenwood Road and Medford Street and report to the Ward 5 Alderman on options to make exiting from Glenwood Road onto Medford Street less dangerous.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

23. #197276 Order By Ald. Niedergang  
That the Director of Traffic and Parking and the Traffic Engineer consider traffic calming options for Trull Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

24. #197277 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Commissioner of Public Works notify the appropriate utility companies to remove the double pole on Cambria Street.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

25. #197278 Order By Ald. McWatters  
That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol on Benton Road, at various times, to monitor traffic and to issue citations for speeding.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

26. #197279 Communication By Ald. White Jr.  
Acting as President, cancelling the Regular meetings of this Board that were scheduled for July 24, 2014, and August 14, 2014.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

27. #196340 129 registered voters requesting a public hearing before this Board on Public Communication divesting the city's pension fund from the fossil fuel industry.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

28. #197042 Mayor's Request Requesting to appear before this Board in Executive Session to discuss litigation strategy relating to pending requests regarding Clear Channel billboards.

**RESULT: LAID ON THE TABLE**

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

29. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197280 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 9, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

30. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197281 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 10, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

31. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197282 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 11, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

32. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197283 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 16, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

33. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197284 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 18, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

34. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197285 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 19, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Lafuente reported on the departments addressed at the meeting, held to review the FY 15 budget request.

35. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- A. #197286 Report of the Committee on Finance, meeting as a Committee of the Whole, Committee Report on June 23, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED**

**AMENDED:** #197108 and #197111 were Placed on File.  
Chairman Lafuente spoke about the FY 2015 Fiscal budget and the Board's review process.

- B. #197080 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to establish a new Water/Sewer Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- C. #197081 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Sewer Enterprise Retained Earnings Fund to the new Water/Sewer Capital Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- D. #197082 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$1,000,000 from the Water Enterprise Retained Earnings Fund to the new Water/Sewer Capital Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- E. #197108 Mayor's Request Submitting an appropriation of \$188,027,166 to fund the FY2015 Operating Budget.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

- F. #197109 Mayor's Request Submitting an appropriation of \$19,388,508 to fund the FY2015 Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT: APPROVED AS AMENDED**

**AMENDED:** Approved for \$19,385,192 per budget reductions.

- G. #197110 Mayor's Request Submitting an appropriation of \$12,992,038 to fund the FY2015 Water Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- H. #197111 Mayor's Request Submitting an appropriation of \$861,096.56 to fund the FY2015 Veterans Memorial & Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Mr. Bean reported there was a revision on this matter.



- I. #197112 Submitting an appropriation of \$199,000 to fund the FY2015 Dilboy Field  
Mayor's Request Enterprise Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- J. #197113 Requesting an appropriation of \$3,500,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance  
Mayor's Request ("Free Cash") to reduce the FY2015 Tax Levy.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- K. #197114 Requesting an appropriation of \$1,400,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance  
Mayor's Request ("Free Cash") to the Salary and Wage Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- L. #197115 Requesting an appropriation of \$200,000 from Unreserved Fund Balance  
Mayor's Request ("Free Cash") to the Other Post Employment Benefits Trust Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- M. #197117 Requesting reauthorization of the Cable Telecommunications Revolving  
Mayor's Request Fund for FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- N. #197118 Requesting reauthorization of the SomerStreets Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- O. #197119 Requesting reauthorization of the Conservation Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- P. #197120 Requesting Reauthorization of the Planning and Zoning Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- Q. #197121 Requesting the reauthorization of the Council on Aging Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- R. #197122 Requesting reauthorization of the Environmental-Compost Bins Revolving  
Mayor's Request Fund for FY 2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- S. #197123 Requesting reauthorization of the Parks Revolving Fund for FY2015.  
Mayor's Request

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- T. #197124 Requesting the reauthorization of the Recycling Carts Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- U. #197125 Requesting reauthorization of the Tuberculosis Testing Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- V. #197126 Requesting Reauthorization of the Dedication Sign Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- W. #197127 Requesting Reauthorization of the Special Events Revolving Fund for  
Mayor's Request FY2015.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- X. #197175 Requesting a transfer of \$248,925 from Salary Contingency to the Salary  
Mayor's Request and Wage Stabilization Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**

**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,  
Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,  
Ballantyne

- Y. #197287 By Ald. Heuston  
Resolution That the Administration rename the Health Department to Health and  
Human Services to incorporate the expanded scope for counseling services,  
housing assistance, benefits and resources for health care coverage.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- Z. #197288 Resolution  
By Ald. Heuston, Rossetti  
That the Administration rename the Recreation Department to Parks and Recreation to incorporate an expanded scope for recreation services to include expertise on management of athletic fields and their upkeep.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AA. #197289 Resolution  
By Ald. Heuston  
That the Administration add a half time social work position to the Health Department to provide for expanded counseling and support services.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AB. #197290 Resolution  
By Ald. Heuston  
That the Administration add a full time Incident Command Technician position to the Fire Department and fill the position from within the department and backfill the vacancy.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AC. #197291 Resolution  
By Ald. McLaughlin, Niedergang, and the Entire Board  
That the Administration add two youth outreach positions to the Recreation Department, and that both positions be filled after the new Superintendent of Recreation is hired and that at least one of the positions should require skills and experience in women's leadership.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

- AD. #197292 Resolution  
By Ald. McLaughlin, Niedergang, and the Entire Board  
That this Board urges the Mayor to expand the three Somerviva Language Liaison positions to full-time.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AE. #197293 Resolution  
By Ald. McLaughlin, Niedergang, and the Entire Board  
That this Board supports the Youth Arts Coordinator working in close collaboration with the Recreation Department staff and requests that the position report to both the Recreation Superintendent and the Director of Communications.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AF. #197294 Resolution By Ald. McWatters That the Administration consider hiring another plumbing and gas inspector in ISD.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AG. #197295 Resolution By Ald. McWatters That the Administration consider hiring two additional electrical inspectors in ISD.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AH. #197296 Resolution By Ald. McWatters That the Administration consider hiring another garage mechanic for the DPW.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AI. #197297 Resolution By Ald. Rossetti That the Administration involve this Board's Committee on Youth Services in the search and selection of a new Recreation Superintendent.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Youth Services Committee

AJ. #197298 Resolution By Ald. Rossetti That the Administration investigate other means of mail delivery to reduce the cost of mailing using the United States Postal Service.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AK. #197299 Resolution By Ald. Rossetti That the Administration establish a committee to examine and report to this Board on the safety of the Assembly Square area.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

AL. #197300 Resolution By Ald. Rossetti That the Administration provide this Board with information regarding the Municipal Athletic Facilities Commission referenced in City Ordinance 2-309.6

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

- AM. #197301 Resolution By Ald. Connolly That the Administration work to implement free citywide Wi-Fi, including partnering with public and/or private corporations to achieve this goal.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AN. #197302 Resolution By Ald. Connolly That the Administration report quarterly on Veterans' Services benefits provided.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

- AO. #197303 Resolution By Ald. Connolly That the Administration add more bike racks and/or locked storage facilities at Davis Square and Sullivan Square.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

36. PUBLIC HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

- A. #197304 Report of the Committee on Public Health and Public Safety, Meeting as a Committee Report Committee of the Whole, on June 25, 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Connolly spoke about the selection process of the Police Chief and noted that the final four candidates were interviewed during the meeting.

**COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR**

37. #197305 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$14,271 from the Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Retained Earnings Account to subsidize the FY15 Veterans Memorial Ice Rink Enterprise Fund.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

38. #197306 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$3,500 in the City Clerk's Office, from its OM Credit Card Fees Account to its PS Salaries Account, to fund vacation leave payouts for two employees who are retiring at the end of FY 2014.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

39. #197307 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to transfer \$1,070.78 in the Law Office, from its OM Office Equipment Account to its PS Salaries Account, to fund a projected year-end deficit.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

40. #197308 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$415,000 from ArtPlace, for the Arts Council's use to creative uses of the former waste transfer site.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Heuston spoke about the grant, and urged approval. City Auditor Ed Bean said that no match was required for this item.

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

41. #197309 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a State Reimbursement of \$169,736 from MassDOT, for the Public Works Department through the Winter Rapid Recovery Road Program for repairs to roads due to winter damage.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

The DPW Commissioner spoke about the reimbursement and how the funds were being allocated.

42. #197310 Mayor's Request Requesting the re-appointment of Albert Darling as Constable.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

43. #197311 Mayor's Communication Conveying the Bicycle Advisory Committee's 2013 Annual Report.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**COMMUNICATIONS OF CITY OFFICERS**

44. #197312 Officer's Communication City Solicitor conveying an opinion of a proposed fossil fuel divestment resolution.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

45. #197313 Officer's Communication City Clerk responding to #197019 re: means of Aldermanic communications in the absence of an Order or Resolution.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

46. #197314 DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 5/22/14.  
Officer's  
Communication

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Lafuente moved to waive the reading of items 46 and 47. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

47. #197315 Traffic and Parking Director submitting responses to various Board Orders.  
Officer's  
Communication

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee

**NEW BUSINESS**

48. #197316 Public Event Permit, Portuguese American Civic League Holy Ghost Feast,  
License/Permit 26 Springfield St., Jul 11 6PM-Midnite, Jul 12 8PM-Midnite, Jul 13 8AM-10PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the reading of items 48 through 59. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

49. #197317 Public Event Permit, Maum Meditation Table, Davis Sq Statue Park, Jul 13-19, Noon-2PM.  
License/Permit

**RESULT: APPROVED**

50. #197318 Public Event Permit, St. James Ave Block Parties, Jul 20 and Aug 24, 3PM-8PM.  
License/Permit

**RESULT: APPROVED**

51. #197319 Public Event Permit, Great Urban Camp-out, Lincoln Park, Jul 25-26  
License/Permit (raindate Jul 26-27).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

52. #197320 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Madison St Block Party, Jul 26, 2-9PM (raindate Jul 27).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

53. #197321 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Oak St Block Party, Aug 16, 2-8PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

54. #197322 License/Permit Public Event Permit, Honk! Festival, Oct 10 Hodgkins Park 5-9PM, Oct 11 Davis Sq Noon-9PM, Oct 12 Davis Sq Noon-1PM.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

55. #197323 License/Permit Sign/Awning Permit, Rockland Trust, 399 Highland Ave., 6 window awnings.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

56. #197324 License/Permit Renewing Drainlayer's License, Atlantic Excavation and Utility.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

57. #197325 License/Permit Renewing Junk Dealer's License, Odds and Ends Thrift Store, 62A Summer St.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

58. #197326 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 64 Webster Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

59. #197327 License/Permit Renewing Garage License, Webster Auto Body, 69 Webster Ave.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

60. #197328 Public Communication Six residents submitting comments re: the FY15 budget.



**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Alderman Lafluyente moved to waive the reading of item 60. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

**SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS**

61. #197329 Order By Ald. Rossetti, Ballantyne That the Chief of Police order a directed patrol to monitor traffic speeds on Fairfax Street and report the findings and actions to these Aldermen.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Health and Public Safety Committee

62. #197330 Order By Ald. White Jr. That the Director of SPCD and the City Solicitor apprise this Board of the latest developments with regard to the sale of the Post Office in Union Square and the ongoing dispute as to the mural.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Heuston noted the residents' concern over this issue.

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

63. #197331 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$187,858,357 to fund the FY2015 General Fund Operating Budget.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Mr. Bean discussed the revised appropriation order, reporting that cuts, appointments, a miscalculation, the custodial contract and the pension account were all factors in this revised operating budget.

64. #197332 Mayor's Request Requesting a revised appropriation of \$812,387 to fund the FY2015 Veterans Memorial and Founders Ice Rink Enterprise Fund Budget.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

65. #197333 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a \$80,000 grant from the MA DMH Police Based Jail Diversion Program for Police Dept. Crisis Intervention Team Training.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

66. #197334 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$42,000 from the Department of Mental Health, for the Police Based Jail Diversion Program.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

67. #197335 Mayor's Request Requesting acceptance of a gift of up to \$14,870 from the Boston Mayor's Office of Emergency Preparedness for Police Dept. participation in the Urban Shield Rapid Response Intel Exercise.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

68. #197336 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a gift of \$9,036.22 From Tufts University, to reimburse the Police Department's overtime account.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman McLaughlin inquired if this was payment in lieu of taxes. Mr. Forcellese said it was not, and said it was a reimbursement for an annual event held at Tufts. Alderman Heuston asked about the advantages to paying police overtime for this event, and Deputy Chief Cabral spoke about Tufts requesting the police presence in advance.

69. #197337 Mayor's Request Requesting the reappointment of Michael A. Capuano to the Planning Board.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

Alderman Heuston moved to waive the reading of item 69 and 70 and approve them. There being no opposition, the motion was approved.

70. #197338 Mayor's Request Requesting the appointment of Dorothy Kelly Gay to the Planning Board.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

71. #197339 Mayor's Request Requesting that the City-owned portion of 163 Glen Street be declared available for disposition.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

72. #197340 Officer's Request Planning Director requesting approval of an ordinance to de-designate 72R Dane Street as a single-building local historic district.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

**FOLLOWUP:** Legislative Matters Committee

73. #197341 Director of Veterans Services responding to #197016 re: the Valor Act II  
Officer's and the creation of veterans' services districts.  
Communication

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Veterans and Public Services Committee

74. #197342 Public Event Permit, SVG Films filmshoot, Lincoln Park, Jul 17-18, 9AM-  
License/Permit 6PM (raindate Jul 25-26).

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

Alderman Sullivan moved to waive the reading of items 74 through 80, approving all except for item 74, which should go to Committee. There being no opposition, the motion to was approved.

**FOLLOWUP:** Licenses and Permits Committee

75. #197343 Public Event Permit, Open Air Circus tent and performances, Conway Field,  
License/Permit Jul 31-Aug 4.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

76. #197344 Public Event Permit, Oxford St Block Party, Aug 24, 1-8PM (raindate Aug  
License/Permit 31).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

77. #197345 Public Event Permit, Fremont Ave Block Party, Aug 31, Noon-8PM  
License/Permit (raindate Sep 1).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

78. #197346 Public Event Permit, Prospect Hill Block Party, Munroe St from Prospect  
License/Permit Hill Pkwy to Greenville St, Sep 13, 3-9PM (raindate Sep 14).

**RESULT: APPROVED**

79. #197347 Renewing Open Air Vendor License, Agassiz Preschool, 184 Summer St.  
License/Permit

**RESULT: APPROVED**

80. #197348 License/Permit Renewing Open Air Vendor License, Next Wave/Full Circle School, Foss Park area.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**LATE ITEMS**

81. #197349 Order By Ald. White Jr. That the Commissioner of Public Works provide this Board with the invoices for electric light poles as they are purchased in FY15.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

82. #197350 Resolution By Ald. Sullivan, White Jr. That the Retirement Board increase the cost of living base from \$12,000 to \$13,000.

**RESULT: REFERRED FOR RECOMMENDATION**

City Solicitor Frank Wright spoke about Alderman Sullivan's resolution about recommending that the Retirement Board adopt a COLA. He explained how it was slightly different from the fossil fuel resolution, and could be acted on by the Board. President White said this item is complicated and referred it to the Finance Committee. He noted that there is precedence for approving similar items.

**FOLLOWUP:** Finance Committee

83. #197351 Mayor's Communication Conveying an estimate of Building Permit and Plan Review fees expected in FY 2015 and suggested uses, resulting from the Partners HealthCare development in Assembly Square.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

Mayor Curtatone spoke about projected FY15 permit fees anticipated as a result of the Partners Development at Assembly Square. He discussed the details of the budget and how money will be allocated in stages. He added that permits, repairs and street re-construction are included in the budget. The Aldermen discussed the project and the prospects for FY15 revenues. Alderman Gewirtz suggested increasing funding for Affordable Housing as it is a huge priority in the community, and the Aldermen discussed affordable housing. Alderman Ballantyne spoke about the lack of discussion in revenue plans, and would like to see more talks on revenue generation, saying this could help create affordable housing for residents. Mayor Curtatone agreed and looks forward to more discussion.

84. #197045 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$319,333 from the Parks Stabilization Fund to the General Debt Service Fund for Debt Service for Parks Renovation.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

Alderman Lafuente moved to discharge items 84 through 102 from the Committee on Finance, so they could be acted on at this meeting, and the motion was approved.

85. #197047 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$75,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase forensic analysis equipment for the Police Department.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

86. #197048 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$36,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase two message/speed monitor boards for the Police Department.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

87. #197049 Mayor's Request Requesting an appropriation of \$16,000 from the Capital Stabilization Fund to purchase 4 mobile radios for police cruisers.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin, Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz, Ballantyne

88. #197051 Mayor's Request Requesting approval to pay a prior year invoice of \$1,478.10 from the Traffic and Parking Department using FY2014 funds.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

89. #197176 Mayor's Request Request approval of a transfer of \$150,000 from the Sanitation Division to the Buildings & Grounds Division to pay Electricity and Heating Oil costs.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

90. #197177 Mayor's Request Requesting a transfer of \$9,536 from the Building Insurance Account to the Pension/Non-Contributory Ordinary Maintenance Account to fund a projected year end deficit.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

91. #197178 Request to transfer \$9,174 in the School Custodians Dept., from its Personal  
Mayor's Request Services Account to its Ordinary Maintenance Account to pay outstanding  
invoices.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

92. #197179 Requesting a transfer of \$7,000 from the Executive Capital Projects  
Mayor's Request Management Salaries Account to the Workers Compensation Salaries  
Account to fund a projected year-end deficit.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

93. #197180 Requesting approval to transfer \$6,767.44 from the MWRA Assessments  
Mayor's Request Account to Debt Service.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

94. #197181 Requesting transfer of \$220 in the Arts Council from its Professional &  
Mayor's Request Technical Services Account to its Salaries Account to fund a projected year  
end deficit.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

95. #197182 Requesting authorization to seek a PARC grant of \$400,000 for Otis  
Mayor's Request Playground Renovations.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

96. #197183 Requesting the acceptance of a \$200,000 grant for renovations to the  
Mayor's Request Marshall Street Playground.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

97. #197184 Requesting authorization of funding necessary to complete renovation of  
Mayor's Request Marshall Street Playground, as a requirement for grant acceptance of a  
reimbursable Our Common Backyards grant for \$200,000.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

98. #197185 Requesting the dedication of Marshall Street Playground in perpetuity for  
Mayor's Request park and recreation purposes.

**RESULT: APPROVED. [UNANIMOUS]**  
**AYES:** Connolly, Rossetti, Sullivan, White Jr., McLaughlin,  
Heuston, McWatters, Lafuente, Niedergang, Gewirtz,  
Ballantyne

99. #197189 Mayor's Request Requesting approval of a \$10,000 grant from the Eastern Bank Charitable Foundation for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural and Art in the Garden programs.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

100. #197190 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of an additional \$3,116 from the MA Department of Agriculture, for the Urban Agriculture Pilot Program.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

101. #197191 Mayor's Request Requesting the acceptance of a grant of \$3,000 from the Somerville Housing Authority for the Arts Council's Mystic Mural Project.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

102. #197241 Mayor's Request Requesting the transfer of \$130,000 from the E911 Salaries Account to the Police Overtime Account to cover projected overtime costs.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

103. #197352 Order By Ald. McWatters, Connolly That the Director of SPCD (ISD) inspect 79R Boston Street for possible health and code violations on the back porch.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

104. #197353 Order By Ald. McWatters, Connolly, Sullivan, White Jr., Rossetti That the Recreation Superintendent stock the shed at Central Hill Park with jump ropes, balls, shovels and chalk, and consider installing a science wall along the fence to measure rain, barometric pressure and wind direction.

**RESULT: APPROVED**

105. #197354 Officer's Communication DPW Commissioner responding to various Board Orders submitted 6/26/14.

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Traffic and Parking Committee  
Rodent Issues Special Committee  
Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

106. #197355 DPW Commissioner responding to supplemental Board Orders submitted  
Officer's 6/12/14.  
Communication

**RESULT: PLACED ON FILE**

**FOLLOWUP:** Public Utilities and Public Works Committee

**ADJOURNMENT**

Submitted by John J. Long, City Clerk.